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**RESPONSE TO REQUIREMENT FOR ELECTION OF SPECIES**

Dear Sir:

In response to the non-final Office Action dated April 28, 2004, Applicant respectfully submits the following response.

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